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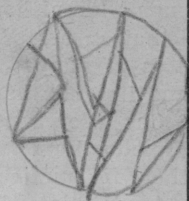
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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Alumni Correspondence We want to receive more letters from the alumni. There will be no restriction upon topics selected—whether of sense or sentiment, complaint or suggestion, commendation or criticism. We only require that the writer shall remain good tempered in joining this open forum.

We would like to offer a prize of about \$5.00 for someone to equal that delightful communication published last month from Dr. Geo. H. Price of Nashville. Reminiscent of college days, fragrant with sweetest sentiment, his words played upon the heart strings with gentlest touch as he paid tribute to Auburn. Let us have more such.

An Awakened Alumni. No one who was present at the annual meeting of the Alumni Association on May 31st in Langdon Hall can help the belief that Auburn Alumni have an awakened spirit and that an era of activity and real service is at hand. Men of influence and means in their various home communities, one after another rose to their feet and pledged money, time and endeavor to the constructive program adopted by the Association for the coming year. There were no fervid bursts of oratory; no spasmodic waves of enthusiasm, just a formal registering of enlistment in a worthy cause and a grim determination to do something worth while for the college.

The Executive Council is composed of men of affairs and ability. At their first meeting, promptly held, they planned the work of reconstruction so as to make the Alumni Association a working organization of force and influence. The first work will be for a largely increased membership, functioning with ready response to a virile leadership.

But the engine must be builded; various parts must be assembled; all the mechanism must coordinate and harmonize as a whole before actual constructive work can be undertaken; before ambitious plans may be begun and vague, undefined longings crystalized into actual deeds. And as a necessary preliminary to stimulate this desire for increased membership leading to large service; to push to completion plans for permanent local organizations; to encourage interest and cooperation in all Auburn activities; to carry out effectively the details of this and other work projected,—someone must be employed regularly to do the work. It cannot be left to haphazard accomplishment. It is a big job requiring a high order of ability, that cannot be gratuitously commandeered, but must be adequately compensated.

And so the Executive Council, carrying out the expressed will of the Association, will engage the services of a permanent, paid Secretary or Manager, as soon as the members of the Alumni Association have subscribed and paid in an adequate sum, with which to make a business-like arrangement with a competent man, for a period of years. This

is the first work at hand; this is preliminary to the greater work beyond and should receive an immediate and enthusiastic response from every Auburn club as soon as organized. The sum should be in hand in 60 days and an active agency for Auburn put in the field for service, in the real work then to be undertaken.

Unquestionably one of the first tasks will be a campaign of education and publicity, whereby the people may be informed of the actual conditions and needs of their higher institutions of learning, as well as the demands for stronger support of the whole cause of education in general. Direct responsibility for their future will be placed upon the shoulders and conscience of the people as a whole, that the leaven of a better understanding and a higher appreciation of their work may be disseminated into the remotest sections of Alabama.

As an inevitable result of this publicity campaign, it is expected that there will be a universal demand for more adequate appropriations by the State Legislature for needed buildings, equipment and proper upkeep and maintenance of the State's educational institutions. This will be only one of many plans to be undertaken in a systematic way for the good of Auburn.

PROFESSOR BRAGG LEAVES AUBURN

Tom Bragg leaves Auburn to go into business. Since early in May two good positions paying a good deal more than his collegiate salary have been tugging at him. He accepted one of them. In his going, Auburn loses one of the most interesting figures ever connected with the college. As instructor in chemistry, as graduate manager of athletics, and as president of the Auburn Alumni Association, he has rendered valuable service to Auburn.

Although his lovable personality has captured everybody who has known him, probably his strongest characteristic has been his loyalty to the college. The Auburn spirit is the master in a man of strong and varied impulses. That is one reason why the Alumni Association has made, during his term as president, a notable record of achievement. The Alumni gymnasium is strong evidence of his loyalty and energy as well as of the efficiency of the organization of alumni over which he presided. The Auburn Alumnus was established in the first year of his long term of office and owes a good deal of its success to his support. One of the first evidences of new life in the

Alumni Association under his leadership was the great and enthusiastic Home Coming in 1913. The organization of local societies of Alumni and former students in New York, Washington, Atlanta, New Orleans, Birmingham, and in a number of other towns and cities in Alabama and elsewhere was the most significant step toward the larger service which the Association is about to enter upon. In any review of the history of Alumni activities his work as President of the Alumni Association must be considered as constructive and forward-looking.

Tom Bragg has been most intimately associated, at least in the public mind, with Auburn athletics. As far as the writer understands the complicated machinery producing winning teams, there are three necessities: good material, good coaching, and good management. Without good management, good coaching and good material may not assure successful athletic programs. The athletic manager has had on occasions to discipline refractory players. He has been responsible for the supply of material necessities and comforts for the players at home and on the road. He has arranged schedules and directed publicity in a highly successful manner, as the gate receipts will show. He has directed with the support of the college athletic committee the athletic policies of Auburn. As a result of his wise management and of his pleasant personal relationships with college men and officials throughout the South, Auburn has probably had fewer misunderstandings and more points of friendly contact with collegiate athletic rivals than any other member of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

He has been a real force in Southern collegiate athletics. He has long been an officer in the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association and last year was elected Vice-President of the National Athletic Association. He has advocated at all times bona fide amateur athletics at Auburn and in the colleges of the South. He has been an unwavering supporter of the one-year rule as the best means of forestalling professionalism.

His work as instructor was rewarded by steady promotions from an instructorship in chemistry to a professorship. As a representative of the college, he assisted greatly in getting the needs of the college before the committees of the last legislature. As a member of the faculty, his influence in the college has been strong and wholesome. Tom Bragg is a natural leader. In the new work which he has undertaken, he will assume, as he has assumed in college, a place of prominence. His influence among Auburn men is great; and though he is no longer at Auburn, his friends know that his alma mater will always find him a loyal and useful son.

A Message From The President

June 21, 1920

To the Auburn Alumni:

Though the honor of being president of the Alumni Association was unsought and, as I believe, unwisely bestowed, I have, with many anxious misgivings, accepted it in the spirit of answering a call to service. While the honor is great, and deeply appreciated, the more impressive element to me is the responsibility that goes with the office and in the face of this I am almost completely bewildered.

Undoubtedly there is a field of service for the Alumni Association, a need for the activities of which it is capable; there is a way in which it can render a great service to the College and to the Alumni after they have left the College. In the past the Association, through its officers and members, has already served Auburn well; to find the full measure of that service and the proper method of rendering it will be the desire of the officers during this year.

The recognized pre-requisite to full and proper service is the securing of a full-time, well paid secretary and this will be the first task essayed by the new officers. To succeed in this there must be an exhibition of greater interest on the part of the Alumni; there must be the organization of additional local Associations with sufficient spirit to keep them alive; there must be a realization on the part of the Alumni of the necessity for the service of the Association to such an extent that the funds necessary for this full-time secretary will be forthcoming from the Alumni themselves. When this is done the Association can begin its real work for the benefit of the College with confidence that it can successfully accomplish what it undertakes to do.

To bring about this much desired innovation it is planned to solicit and obtain contributions from the Alumni extending over a period of three years, the contribution for 1920 to be paid in cash October 1 and the contributions for the years 1921 and 1922 to be evidenced by notes payable on April 1 in each of those years. At the end of the three year period it is expected that there will have been aroused such an interest in Alumni matters that there will be enough members paying nominal dues to carry on the work without asking for further pledges.

This is a bare statement of the first step planned by the new officers and subsequent steps must depend on the success of the first. The Council expects that in the next issue of the *Alumnus* it will be able to publish a statement of what it hopes to accomplish during the year; in the meantime the work of soliciting pledges and of organizing new associations will have begun and I call upon the Alumni to give a sympathetic and responsive ear to pleas for assistance in this work.

JOHN V. DENSON
President.

48th Annual Commencement Sunday, May 30, 1920.

Commencement exercises for the 48th annual commencement of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute began officially on Sunday, May 30 with the delivery of the baccalaureate sermon at 11 A. M. in Langdon Hall by Rev. Wm. Lowndes Pickard, D. D., LL. D., pastor of the Central Baptist church, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Langdon Hall was already filled to capacity when the faculty line of march headed by Acting President, B. B. Ross, filed in and took seats on the rostrum. Assisting in the services were Rev. M. P. Edwards and Rev. Norman McLeod, pastors of the local churches. Music for the occasion was furnished by the combined choirs of all the churches accompanied by the College Orchestra.

Dr. Pickard selected his text from Psalms 33:12,—“Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.”—tracing one after another the civilizations of Syria, Ba-

bylonia, Egypt, Greece and Rome, as they rose to power and influence, were subjected to idolatrous temptations, fell into sin and were swept under by the powers of darkness. At last, there came Germany representing with its “Me and Gott” pantheistic doctrines of the cruellest type in modern civilization, to subdue and crush which, took the combined forces of the entire Christian world. The center of civilization has moved steadily westward until now the flags of England and America dominate the destinies of mankind. Over all America the South presents the most wonderful field of opportunity; but opportunity brings responsibility. “Young man, don’t go out from here with the mere ambition to make a living; go with the determination to make a life. Dedicate the best that is in you to the best that is above you and all will be well.”

Alumni Day Monday, June 1, 1920

Although the inability of General Bulard to be present on Alumni Day, due to the serious illness of his wife, materially lessened the attendance and dampened the ardor of those who did attend, yet, nevertheless, the Alumni meeting of 1920 in Langdon Hall was more serious in purpose and more enthusiastic for accomplishment than any Alumni meeting of recent years. The reports of the President and Secretary were submitted and proved of real interest.

The Treasurer’s report approved by the auditing committee gave the following information:

June 2, 1919—	
Cash as per report	\$2,028.20
May 31, 1920—	
Collected during year	1,310.18
Cash unaccounted for	6.00
Total	\$3,344.38
Total Disbursements	\$1,105.05
Bal. cash on hand	2,239.33
Notes uncollected	9,018.14

Student Loan Fund

A recommendation by the executive committee that the student loan fund be invested in some form of permanent improvement for the College did not meet with favor. Although this fund has not functioned with much success for the past few years, it was felt that the funds

were set apart for a specifically designated purpose, and should not be diverted therefrom. A committee consisting of Dr. Gaston Greil, J. Haygood Paterson of Montgomery and B. H. Crenshaw of Auburn, was appointed to consider the entire situation and report back to the association their conclusions, at the next meeting, with the understanding that loans for the ensuing year would be reduced to a minimum amount.

At the suggestion of the President, an effort will be made in conjunction with the authorities and committees of other educational institutions to largely increase the appropriations by the State legislature for the support of educational institutions, the purchase of adequate equipment, and the reasonable increase of salaries of the professors and members of the faculty.

The following resolutions prepared by the Montgomery local chapter were presented by Dr. Gaston Greil, and on motion unanimously adopted:

Resolved:

1. “That an effort be made to greatly increase the active membership of the Alumni Association through drives for members directed by Alumni clubs throughout the country.

2. “That an effort be made through these clubs to secure promptly an adequate fund for the Alumni Association to the end that it can immediately be-

gin operations for the benefit of Auburn along broader lines.

3. "That the Alumni Association appoint a council consisting of eight members to meet not less than twice during each session of Auburn for the purpose of considering the interests of Auburn, and devising plans to further same.

4. "That the Alumni Association appoint a resident secretary at Auburn at a minimum salary of \$2500 per annum, whose duties shall be to attend to the business of the Association, keep its members informed as to the progress and needs of Auburn, and such other duties as the proper officials of the Association shall specify.

5. "That suitable appropriation be made for necessary expenses to the end that the secretary may perform those duties.

6. "That Alumni Clubs be encouraged through the efforts of the Association, and that such clubs be requested to appoint a representative in the Montgomery Club through whom it can make such suggestions as it sees fit to make and from whom it can obtain information that it requires. This suggestion is based upon the fact that Montgomery is the Capitol of our State and that Club should be able to keep in close and constant touch with the educational, legislative and administrative departments of the State.

7. "That the officials elected at this meeting be empowered to put these resolutions into effect immediately."

A rising vote of thanks was given Tom Bragg for his active services in the Alumni Association for the past 20 years.

A report for the Auburn Alumnus was submitted by Leslie Gilbert, managing editor, showing that the publication of the magazine had been resumed with the February issue, and that with subscriptions made and advertisements secured, all expenses to date had been paid with the prospect that the enterprise could be conducted for the entire year without calling upon the general treasury for any donation.

On motion of Mr. Quinn of Montgomery it was decided to defer until a permanent secretary had been secured, the matter of a memorial to Auburn men whose lives have been sacrificed in the recent war.

On motion of Dr. Gaston Greil the Association went on record as commending the authorities of the college in their stand against hazing during the past school session.

The following resolution submitted by L. N. Duncan was unanimously approved:

Resolved:

"That the Auburn Alumni Association pledge its unqualified and active support to Governor Kilby in his efforts to raise funds for more adequate support of education in Alabama."

A memorial committee to draft resolutions of respect for those members of the Association who had died since the last meeting, was appointed, consisting of J. R. Rulland, Roger Jones of Selma, and M. F. Kahn of Montgomery. Due to the inability of the officers to locate copy of the constitution and by-laws, the Executive Council was instructed, in case they were not later found, to prepare same and submit for adoption at the next meeting of the Association.

Albert S. Adams, President of the National Rotary Club, was unanimously elected to membership upon motion of Wm. H. Tichnor of Atlanta. The committee on nomination of officers for the ensuing year, consisting of Roger Jones, Selma, Ala., Chairman, Edwin Bukofzer of New York, Hugh Bickerstaff of Columbus, Ga., Hartley Moon of Montgomery, Ala., and B. H. Crenshaw of Auburn, brought in the following report, after learning from President Tom Bragg that due to continued absence from Auburn, he would decline to accept another term as President of the Association:

President—Jno. V. Denson, Opelika, Ala.

First Vice-President—M. F. Kahn, Montgomery, Ala.

Second Vice-President—Jerry Gwin, Birmingham, Ala.

Acting Sect'y-Treas'r—Leslie Gilbert, Auburn, Ala.

Executive Council:

A. C. Crowder, Birmingham, Ala.

O. E. Edwards, New York City.

Dr. W. H. Blake, Sheffield, Ala.

Walker Reynolds, Anniston, Ala.

Tom Bragg, Auburn, Ala.

Josiah Flournoy, Jr., Columbus, Ga.

J. H. Paterson, Montgomery, Ala.

Oliver J. Semmes, Pensacola, Fla.

The Association accepted the report of the committee and unanimously elected the officers nominated to serve for the ensuing year. Adjournment was then taken.

Commencement Address and Giving of Diplomas Tuesday, June 2, 1920.

To the inspiring strains of the college orchestra and dressed for the first time in four years as a unit in civilian clothes 118 members of the class of 1920 marched into Langdon hall Tuesday morning to become the central figures around which moved all the interesting exercises and events of the forty-eighth annual commencement of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. The hall was elaborately decorated with potted plants and flowers, while back of the stage hung the historic flag containing over 2,000 blue and gold stars indicative of Auburn's contribution to the world war.

After a short invocation, Acting President B. B. Ross welcomed the vast assemblage, and after referring to the pleasant relations always existing between Vanderbilt and Auburn, both in the college life itself and on the athletic field, he introduced Dr. Edwin Mims, professor of English at Vanderbilt university, who had been invited to deliver the baccalaureate address.

Strong Men Needed.

In eloquent words, Dr. Mims pointed out to the graduates the large meaning of the day for them, calling them to service at a time when the world, their country, their state and their communities need strong men, men of vision, loyalty and energy, to grapple with the problems of the day. Touching on some of the disappointments of the peace following the great war, he concluded his address as follows:

"We cannot get around tragedy. With but one exception in all history, there has never been presented so tragic a spectacle as the case of him who now occupies the White House at Washington. Chosen to his exalted station by popular acclaim, his master hand impressed itself upon American legislation in enactments and policies that have become historic. With skill and discretion he guided our destinies throughout the war, and at its close stood supreme in the council chambers not only of America, but high also in those of England, France and Italy.

"And now, no matter what the cause, his fame and influence lie shattered. What a country is this, that such a thing

can happen? Of what is America thinking? I point you to Detroit, where labor and capital are tearing at each other's throats, where wealth and industry are with bayonets thrusting each other over the barriers. You say, but the south's all right! And yet we have right here the hardest problem to solve of any Anglo-Saxon race in existence today. And so I bring you a challenge today to serve your community, your state, and the world. This is no time for the shallow booster or jingo. It is a time that demands the constructive critic and prophet. The times demand trained leadership, men of vision, of ideals, of civic consciousness."

Bronze Tablet to Women

Immediately following the inspiring masterful address of Dr. Mims, a bronze tablet presented by the trustees to the college in honor of the women of Auburn was presented by T. D. Samford, of Opelika, acting for the trustees, and was accepted on the part of the college by Dean George Petrie. Both speakers paid glowing tribute to the self-sacrificing spirit of the women of Auburn. On the tablet was printed: "In honor of the women of Auburn who as volunteer nurses ministered to hundreds of members of the students army training camp of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute during the influenza epidemic, October-November, 1918. In grateful appreciation of their brave and unselfish service, this tablet is erected by the board of trustees."

The award of prizes followed, announcement being made by President Ross of the winning of the various medals: Prize of Thomas essay, Charles P. Anderson, Walker county; Miller Reese Hutchison medal for engineering writing, John M. Howarth, Chambers county; Miller Reese Hutchison medal for inventive design, Jacob Gottlieb, of Birmingham; medal for music, Jas. D. Foster, Jr., Lee county; Wirt Declaimers medal, James S. Holt, Montgomery county; Wirt Debaters medal, James M. Hunnicutt, Birmingham; Regimental prize for best drilled company, Captain Jake M. Boyd, Pike county; Regimental prize for best drilled soldier, Lewis M. Moore, Barbour county; and Porter Clothing company prize for best all around athlete Edward C. Shirling, Butler county.

Following this came the awarding of diplomas to the individual members of the class of 1920, in the course of which a special tribute was paid by his class-

mates to Cheer Leader Neal Johnson, who closed the exercises with three old-time cheers for President Thach, acting President Ross and the whole college.

The officers of the class are:

President, J. H. Trapp.

Vice-President, C. M. Gray, Jasper, Ala.

Secretary, R. M. Johnston, Birmingham, Ala.

Treasurer, J. B. DeRamus, Birmingham, Ala.

Orator, R. H. Turner, Auburn, Ala.

Historian, E. H. Todd, Birmingham, Ala.

Poet, E. B. Lancaster, York, Ala.

Prophet, J. P. Hall, Gadsden, Ala.

The name and address of each member of the class of 1920 follows:

HONORS

Members of the Senior Class who attain distinction with a grade of 95 per cent. are Graduates with Highest Honor. Those who attain a distinction with a grade of 90 per cent. and less than 95 are Graduates with Honor. Those who attain less than 90 per cent. and more than 60 per cent are Graduates.

DEGREES

Bachelor of Science

Graduates

William Henry Avery, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Wagener, S. C.

Robert Marion Beasley, General, Auburn, Ala.

Mafus Bird, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Auburn, Ala.

Thomas Herbert Bonner, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Lineville, Ala.

Warren Calvin Brice, Chemical Engineering, Charlotte, N. C.

Hamlin Alexander Caldwell, Chemistry and Metallurgy, Scottsboro, Ala.

Fred William Calhoun, Mining Engineering, Bessemer, Ala.

William Alfred Cammack, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Auburn, Ala.

Giles Homer Carlovitz, Electrical Engineering, Auburn, Ala.

Raymond Austin Chambers, Architecture, Athens, Ala.

George Little Clark, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Demopolis, Ala.

George Samuel Cooper, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Auburn, Ala.

Osler Gilbert Crow, Electrical Engineering, Springville, Ala.

Stuart Hubert Dent, Electrical Engineering, Eufaula, Ala.

Charles Wesley Edwards, General, Enterprise, Ala.

Gordon Farned, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Russellville, Ala.

Junius Roach Gardner, Jr., Chemistry and Metallurgy, Birmingham, Ala.

Henry Stanley Genius, Electrical Engineering, Campti, La.

Charles Merrill Gray, Electrical Engineering, Jasper, Ala.

Isham Belle Gunter, Chemical Engineering, Opelika, Ala.

Lindsey Jesse Gunter, Chemical Engineering, Opelika, Ala.

Jesse Pankey Hall, Chemistry and Metallurgy, Gadsden, Ala.

William Stephenson Halsey, General, Tuscumbia, Ala.

Sidney Guenveur Harper, Mechanical Engineering, Montgomery, Ala.

Ernest Westcott Harvey, Mechanical Engineering, Montgomery, Ala.

Oliver Ripley Head, Civil Engineering, Montevallo, Ala.

William Caesar Hearn, Electrical Engineering, Tuskegee, Ala.

John Monroe Howarth, Electrical Engineering, Lanett, Ala.

Jerry Leslie Jimmerson, Mechanical Engineering, Opelika, Ala.

Neal Corbly Johnson, Electrical Engineering, Sheffield, Ala.

Hanson Stakley Keller, Chemistry and Metallurgy, Birmingham, Ala.

Howard Stuart Leach, Chemical Engineering, Mobile, Ala.

Frank Underwood Leonard, Chemical Engineering, Birmingham, Ala.

Jess Newman McLane, General, Pensacola, Fla.

Fontaine Alexander Maddox, General, Easonville, Ala.

Robert Lee Martin, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Bessemer, Ala.

Archie Vernon Meigs, Chemical Engineering, Ashland, Ala.

Amos Bender Miller, Chemical Engineering, Cullman, Ala.

Jacob Robert Moon, General, Goodwater, Ala.

Frank Stewart Morgan, Mechanical Engineering, Tyler, Ala.

Oscar Albin Nelson, Mechanical Engineering, Birmingham, Ala.

James McCarty Oliver, Electrical Engineering, Birmingham, Ala.

Winfield Scott Owsley, Pharmacy, Eclectic, Ala.

Gerald Walstein Pearson, Mechanical Engineering, Devereux, Ga.

James Byrd Pilcher, Chemical Engineering, Dothan, Ala.

Glenn Ernest Riddell, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Johnson City, Tenn.

Hugh Balsham Rigby, Electrical Engineering, Columbus, Ga.

Roy Lester Salter, Chemistry and Metallurgy, Mulga, Ala.

William James Samford, General, Opelika, Ala.

Arthur Shaver, Chemical Engineering, Garden City, Ala.

Edwin Huson Sims, Jr. Mechanical Engineering, Columbus, Ga.

William Elbert Snuggs, General, Roanoke, Ala.

Charles Paddock Storrs, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Tallahassee, Ala.

Francis Seaborne Stubbs, Chemistry and Metallurgy, Douglass, Ga.

Jack Tambllyn, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Birmingham, Ala.

Edward Hofford Todd, Chemical Engineering, Birmingham, Ala.

Lynn Casey Watson, Mechanical Engineering, Birmingham, Ala.

Allen Davidson Williamson, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Ashville, N. C.

Leonard Rudolph Wright, Mechanical Engineering, Macon, Ga.

Joe Thomas, Civil Engineering, Dadeville, Ala.

Calvin Locke Young, Electrical Engineering, Marshall, Texas.

Graduates with Honor

Charles Herschel Bedingfield, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Rogersville, Ala.

Jacob Murphree Boyd, Civil Engineering, Troy, Ala.

Thomas Lyons Bradley, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Birmingham, Ala.

Omar Wesley Bridges, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Notasulga, Ala.

Joseph Chandler Burton, Chemical Engineering, Calera, Ala.

Edward Pilate Culpepper, Electrical Engineering, Headland, Ala.

Lester Lamar English, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Ensley, Ala.

Charles Ewell Floyd, Chemical Engineering, Auburn, Ala.

George Lunsford Foster, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Auburn, Ala.

James Douglas Foster, Jr., Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Auburn, Ala.

Robert Callaway Gaines, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Lineville, Ala.

Verner Cyril Hanna, Civil Engineering, Auburn, Ala.

Milton Oliver Howle, Mechanical Engineering, Birmingham, Ala.

John Simmons Kernehan, Mechanical Engineering, Birmingham, Ala.

Dana Gibson Sturkie, Agriculture (Animal Husbandry), Smiths Station, Ala.

Joseph Pierce Trotter, Civil Engineering, Stockton, Ala.

Roy Hope Turner, General, Auburn, Ala.

Carl Eric Wideburg, Jr., Civil Engineering, Jamesburg, N. J.

Gilmore Clark Williams, Agricultural Education, Cullman, Ala.

Allen Killebrew Wood, Electrical Engineering, Birmingham, Ala.

George Raymond Wood, Electrical Engineering, Fairhope, Ala.

Aaron Montgomery Woodall, Chemical Engineering, Springville, Ala.

Graduates with Highest Honor

Lyle Brown, Agriculture (Horticulture), Yantley, Ala.

Angus Mancill Dowling, Electrical Engineering, Eufula, Ala.

Lecil Verland Evans, General, Sulligent, Ala.

William Duke Kimbrough, Agriculture (Horticulture), Louisville, Ky.

Edwin Bragg Lancaster, Architecture, York, Ala.

Claude Sizemore, Mechanical Engineering, Guin, Ala.

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D. V. M.)

William Asker Fuqua, Clayton, Ala.

John Herbert Murray, Auburn, Ala.

William Albert Neal, Jr., Heflin, Ala.

John Oliver, Jr., Auburn, Ala.

Rufus Arnold Roberts, Wadley, Ala.

William Lee Smith, Auburn, Ala.

Graduates in Pharmacy (Ph. G.)

Fred Armstrong, Cullman, Ala.

Bennett Huffman Burks, Rockford, Ala.

Eugene Lloyd Feagin, Pine Apple, Ala.

William Gerard Fowler, Montgomery, Ala.

Reuben E. Ginn, Eden, Ala.

William Charles McCall, Cuba.

Reuben Jackson Plant, Tallahassee, Ala.

Ped Ray, Andalusia, Ala.

Jessie Seibold, Worth, Ala.

Viola Seibold, Guntersville, Ala.

Selman Lamar Threadgill, Selma, Ala.

POST GRADUATE DEGREES

PROFESSIONAL DEGREE IN COURSE

Civil Engineer

Thomas Browning Chambers, Athens, Ala.

DEGREES FOR PROFESSIONAL WORK

Electrical Engineering

Charles Fletcher Moreland, Maryland.

Edwin Ray Stauffacher, Los Angeles, Cal.

Annual Banquet of the Alumni

Due to the inability of General Bullard to be present upon Alumni Day, the basket picnic dinner originally contemplated to be held on the College Campus was called off; in lieu thereof, an informal lunch was served at the Varsity Cafe at one o'clock. About 100 members of the Alumni Association, members of the Board of Trustees, and Faculty, were present. Dr. George Petrie presided as toastmaster in his usual graceful style, and called upon Governor Kilby, chairman of the Board of Trustees for the initial talk.

After first expressing his deep regret at the absence of Dr. Thach upon this occasion, Gov. Kilby rehearsed the efforts of his administration to provide sufficient funds through various methods of taxation to meet the crying needs of the educational institutions of the State. He referred particularly to the attack made upon the income tax law which the Supreme Court had recently declared to be unconstitutional, stating that if the tax on coal tonnage should meet the same fate, an extra session of the legislature would probably be necessary. He called upon the Alumni Association and the student body of the Institution to disseminate abroad information as to the actual needs in buildings, equipment and salaries of the College, so that the public might be informed of the true situation.

Oliver J. Semmes, now a coal dealer in Pensacola, made a most delightful talk. He stated that he had come to Auburn to enter his son for the fall session of 1920 and had made this preliminary trip in order to form a secret agreement with certain old classmates, so that his reputation would be properly

protected upon the arrival of his son to take up his college career. Years ago when informed by a physician in attendance, of the arrival up stairs of a bouncing boy, he had then stated in reply to a question that he had not as yet chosen a name for the youngster, but that he had decided that he was to be educated at Auburn. To the Governor and Board of Trustees he pledged the full strength and enthusiasm of the Alumni Association in caring for the needs of the College.

Prof. Zebulon Judd who had just accepted the position of Superintendent of schools in Montgomery County was the next speaker called upon. He expressed his extreme regret at leaving his co-workers in the College, stressing the importance of a general campaign to raise the educational standards of the State, pointing out that Auburn would be inevitably benefitted thereby. As an illustration, he said: "As I raise the point of this napkin from the table, I can lift it but a very short distance until the entire napkin is similarly lifted up; there can be no definite or considerable progress in the educational system of the State without Auburn receiving its proportionate benefit. In helping the State, we help ourselves."

The banquet closed with an interesting resume of past Alumni experiences by Acting President B. B. Ross.

The Annual reception to graduates, alumni, trustees, faculty and students was tendered Monday afternoon by Mrs. Thach on the lawn of the president's mansion. The absence of President Thach from this reception, which he with Mrs. Thach has given for 17 years, was keenly felt.

Meetings of Board of Trustees

MEETING AT AUBURN MAY 31

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, May 31 in the President's office, with Governor Kilby acting as chairman. The Board received and discussed the report of acting President Ross for the past year; the registration reaching the largest in its history,—1273

News from the Alumni

1880

Homer B. Urquhart, is manager of the International Moving Picture and Film Company. His headquarters are at Birmingham, but his territory is the wide world. As one of the oldest alumni in the Birmingham district, he was expecting to celebrate his fortieth year of graduation with us this year, but was unexpectedly ordered to Lexington, Ky., and Lansing, Mich.

1881

B. B. Ross, has been much in the eyes of the public recently as acting president of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, during the sickness of Dr. C. C. Thach. His long experience and identification with college affairs has so equipped him with information that the machinery of the College readily responded to his guiding hand, and has resulted in most complimentary resolutions on the part of the faculty at the close of the session.

1882

Jas. M. Reid is living at Pilot Point, Texas, where he is chief engineer of the National Railways of Mexico,—work on which has been suspended on account of the revolution. He is ranching at present.

1884

Wm. S. Cox is president of Cox College at College Park, Ga., and also of the Atlanta Conservatory.

1887

H. A. Bedell is a farmer near Opelika, and attended the commencement exercises on May 31.

Roger ap C. Jones is president of the Mabry Securities Co. in Selma, Ala. He is a familiar figure at Commencement, seldom missing occasions of this kind, which keep him in touch with the most recent happenings in educational circles at Auburn.

1889

Andrew M. Lloyd is located at 10½ Auburn Ave., Atlanta, under the name of A. M. Lloyd Laboratory. He conducts a business as Analytical and Consulting chemist.

A. C. Crowder, is the Alabama and Mississippi manager of the Prudential Insurance Co., with office in the Jefferson County Bank Building, Birmingham. Though absent from the meeting, his

friends honored him with a position on the Executive Council of the Alumni Association.

1890

S. J. Emory is a leading physician and surgeon of Navasota, Texas.

1891

P. T. Reynolds is a physician and surgeon at Monroe, Ga.

1892

Louis Philip Heyman is conducting a merchandising business at West Point, Ga.

1894

Robt. C. Foy is at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, where they salute and address him as Lt. Colonel, U. S. Army.

1895

Harry H. Smith is at Richmond, Va., where he is general manager of the Catlett Electric Co. He is married and both he and his wife, who was Miss Julia Moore, look forward to the news of the *Alumnus* with much interest each month. Their boy, Otis David Smith will in due course be sent to imbibe some of the Auburn spirit.

B. J. Jennings is conducting a mercantile business at Seale, Ala.

L. B. Gammon is merchandising at Rome, Ga.

1896

W. R. Tichenor was a familiar figure at the annual meeting of the Auburn Alumni Association. He is a prominent lawyer in Atlanta, having offices in the Candler Bldg.

1897

R. D. Webb has just been elected general superintendent of the Georgia Sunday School Association, with headquarters at 917 Hurt Bldg, Atlanta.

Hugh W. Caffey is no longer in Birmingham, but is now farming at Greensboro, Ala.

Oliver J. Semmes, Jr., is president and general manager of the Export Fuel & Ice Co, at Pensacola, Fla. He attended the 1920 commencement to enter his son for the fall session. It is generally believed that it was he who put the "coal" in Pensacola.

1898

Asheleigh S. Moses is mechanical engineer of the National Lead Co. at 111 Broadway, New York City.

R. P. Strong has been made secretary of the Louisiana Fire Prevention Bureau, with headquarters at 814 Gravier St., New Orleans.

A. M. Kennedy is now located with the Alabama Power Co., Birmingham, as assistant chief engineer.

Jonathan Haralson is associated with his two brothers, J. D. and N. M. Haralson in the Haralson Sales Co., Inc., of which he is president. They sell machinery and electrical and mechanical specialties. Offices at 752 Brown-Marx Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.

1899

Jas. A. Ward, Jr. is a furniture manufacturer at Ft. Smith, Ark. The corporate name is Ward Manufacturing Co.

Dozier Turner is a druggist in Montgomery and is living at 208 Stevenson St., Montgomery, Ala.

I. F. McDonnell is Vice-President of the McClary-Jemison Machinery Co., with headquarters at 3 South 20th St., Birmingham, Ala.

1900

John Maples is cashier of the Bank of Omaha at Omaha, Ga., where he is also a member of the firm, Maples & Corcoran.

W. C. Martin is at Birmingham, P. O. Box 302.

1901

W. Boyd McGehee is a member of the firm of McGehee Bros., prominent retail druggist at 25 Dexter Ave., Montgomery, Ala. He is living at 119 Wilkinson St.

Mike Harvey is at Cheneyville, La., where he is a highway contractor. He has under construction 24 miles of state and federal road, costing approximately \$15,000.00 per mile. He is married; "one wife,—one bird dog."

Jere C. Williams can be addressed at Box 210, Montgomery, Ala.

W. L. Noll is electrical engineer for the Western Railway of Alabama, and is living at 701 Winona Ave., Montgomery, Ala. He has two children,—a daughter 14 and a son 4.

Jas. B. Jackson is a professor of Chemistry in the A. P. I. at Auburn, with the title also of assistant state chemist.

Gaius Whitfield is owner of large plantations and carries on extensive livestock operations near Jefferson, Marengo County.

E. H. Wills is residing at Montevallo, Ala.

1902

Walker D. Willis is an architect at Pensacola with office at 619 Blount Bldg. For several years he was with Frederick Ausfield, architect at Montgomery, but in 1919 moved to Pensacola, Fla.

Marvin Ellis is chief draftsman for the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co., at Youngstown, Ohio. His residence is at 1805 Oak Hill.

C. A. Collins is in the Real Estate business at Shreveport, La.

1903

Wm. J. J. Chase can be found at 140 Peachtree St., Atlanta. He has attained high rank in his profession as architect, being president of the Georgia chapter of American Institute of Architects.

J. H. Mitchell is teaching chemistry at Clemson College, S. C.

1904

A. W. Merkel upon graduation secured employment with the Continental Gin Co. at Birmingham and has been with them for the last 16 years. During that period he has received experience in erecting machinery on the road, in draughting office, as shop foreman and assistant to the Superintendent. In February, he was made superintendent of the Atlanta factory. His war service extended from 1917 as captain in the Coast Artillery Corps to January 1919. He attended the French Anti-Air Craft School at Arnouville, France. In 1904 he married Miss Izetta Duke. He has two girls, aged 10 and 7.

J. L. Murphy is at Andalusia, Ala., conducting a law business under the firm name of Murphy & Kerley.

Walter S. Going, is living at 1125 Louis St., Birmingham, where he is handling export sales for the Continental Gin Co. He is looking forward to the time when Walter S. Jr., now eight months of age, can matriculate at Auburn.

1905

Josiah Flournoy, Jr., is treasurer of the Flournoy Realty Co. at Columbus, Ga. He is living at 1207 Broad St. He is married and has two children; he has the honor of being president of the Columbus chapter of the Auburn Alumni Association.

Forney Renfro is a florist at Opelika, Ala.

E. H. Cabaniss, Jr. is a farmer at Rosemary, Ala; he is married and has four children.

F. R. Bell is with the Alabama Fuel & Iron Co., with headquarters at Brown-Marx Bldg., Birmingham.

D. G. Ewing is a member of the firm of Leader, Ullman & Ewing, Attorneys, with offices in the Steiner Bank Bldg., Birmingham.

1906

Dupont Guerry, Jr., is an electrical contractor at Greenville, S. C. He is secretary-treasurer of Huntington & Guerry, Inc., who handle heavy electrical construction and engineering.

E. P. Lacy, Jr., is at Avon Park, Fla., where he is superintendent of the Flint Lumber Co., which owns 70,000 acres of timber, operates two crate mills, one saw mill, and has 30 miles of railway.

1907

Chas R. Hixon is assistant professor of mechanical engineering, A. P. I., Auburn.

Guy F. Lipscomb is at Clemson College, S. C., where he is assistant professor in Chemistry.

S. R. Shi is at Macon, Ga., where he is County Engineer of Bibb County, and supervises the construction of \$1,000,000 worth of paved road. He came over to commencement exercises.

Edwin A. Harris is living at 419 Lincoln Ave., Orange, N. J. He is secretary and manufacturing manager of the R. B. Davis Co. of Hoboken, N. J.

Rev. Norman McLeod is the popular pastor of the Methodist church at Auburn. His little daughter Dorothy is four years old.

T. W. Lloyd is at Huntington, W. Va., where he is selling coal mining cars. P. O. Box 545.

R. H. Drake is at Birmingham, where he is employed by the Health Department.

W. P. Watkins is at Greenwood, S. C., where he is half owner in a retail lumber yard, and enjoying a nice business.

1908

S. R. Batson is county and consulting engineer in Jefferson County, for the City of Bessemer; he is also a member of the State Highway Commission. His of-

fice is in the Jefferson County Bank Bldg. Birmingham.

E. S. Partridge is living at Mobile where he is treasurer of the C. S. Partridge Hardware Co. He is also secretary of the Alabama Fishing and Hunting Club.

Geo. W. Marsh is at Auburn where he is employed in the Department of Chemistry for the A. P. I.

Rev. Finley M. Grissett has been recently supplying the pulpit at the Broad St. Presbyterian church, Mobile. He expects to go to New York this summer to study at "B. T. T. S."

1909

Ed. C. Betts, is an attorney at law, Huntsville, Ala.

Hattie Delia Finley, is at Blountsville, where for the past nine years she has been teaching English and History in the Ninth District Agricultural School.

H. K. Porter, is sales manager for the mine car department of the Hyatt Roller Bearing Co., New York City. His home address is 600 Main St., East Orange, N. Y.

W. M. Howell, is at Valdosta, Ga., where he is secretary of the Board of Health, as well as city milk and meat Inspector. He is also interested in the manufacturing of lumber.

J. T. Foy is first assistant state chemist at Clemson College, S. C.

J. M. Mayes is a salesman for the radium luminous material corporation, 58 Pine St., New York City. His line of business is Radium. They mine the carnotite ore in Utah, ship it to Orange, N. J., where the radium is extracted. They combine the radium with other materials to make "Undark," the luminous material so prominently advertised.

1910

B. Kaufman is a traveling salesman at 648 Washington St., Atlanta. He was present at Auburn to participate in Alumni affairs.

Dr. G. B. Collier is a prominent physician and surgeon at Tuskegee, Ala.

D. M. Clements is state supervisor of vocational agriculture at Nashville, Tenn. He took active interest in the proceedings of the Alumni Association at Auburn, May 31.

John H. Phillips is agriculturist for the Central of Georgia Ry., with headquarters at Columbus, Ga., living at 215 Twelfth St.

E. R. Stauffacher is living at 1133 Campbell St., Glendale, Calif. Ever since graduation he has been with the Southern California Edison Co. He is now protection engineer at Los Angeles. He is married and has a fine boy.

1911

E. W. Lumpkin is a breeder of purebred plants at Thomasville, Ga., where he is the manager and owner of the Thomasville Plant Co., which does business throughout the South.

B. F. Moseley is at McKenzie, Ala., where he is owner of the Moseley Drug Co., successor to the McKenzie Drug Co. He is conducting an especially good drug business, and is at present installing new fixtures.

E. L. Caton is located at 527 N. Jackson St., Atlanta, where he is division manager of the Tidewater Oil Sales Corporation.

Jack L. Orr is Chief Inspector of the Southeastern Underwriters Association of Atlanta, with headquarters in the American Trust Bldg., Birmingham. He is still single.

1912

C. C. Thach, Jr., has just received the honor of election to the Phi Beta Chi Society at John Hopkins, where he has the chair of History.

D. R. Murry is a druggist in Birmingham, located at 4101 1st Ave., North.

J. B. Richardson is a farmer at Harris, Ala.

Millard F. Nixon of Gunterville, Ala., is at present employed in battery work at 200 Union Plaza Station, Kansas City, Mo.

1913

W. J. Galloway, Jr., is located at Memphis, Tenn., where he is employed as district manager of the Security Sales Co.

F. E. Pickett is employed in the serum laboratory at Auburn.

Wm. D. Barton is district demonstration agent for South Alabama of the Extension Service, to which position he was transferred two years ago from the county agency of Autauga County. He is married and has a little son.

1914

McClellan Ratchford is located at present at LaFayette, Ala.

L. P. Munger is in the experimen-

tal department of the Continental Gin Co. at Birmingham. He is married and has one boy.

A. T. Feaster, Jr., is a partner in the Feaster Sales Co., Birmingham. He is living at 1311 4th Ave., W. E. He served with the A. E. F., headquarters detachment, 62nd Field Artillery Brigade. In June, 1919, he married Miss Sara Evelyn Moore of the class of '16, Auburn, Ala.

B. P. Blasingame is with the Texas Company, having charge of the Central Texas Division with headquarters at Ft. Worth. He is married, working hard, and still pulls for Auburn.

1915

A. L. Harrell, Jr., is a farmer at LaFayette, Ala., where he is running a ten-horse farm, raising principally cotton and corn.

Godfrey C. Bevan, is a veterinarian and farmer at Bellevue, Iowa; he is married and has one son.

W. E. Ayres is connected with the Delta branch Experiment Station at Weilenman, Miss., where he is in the Plant Breeding Department.

C. M. Bloomfield is a chemist for the T. C. I. & R. R. Co., and is living at 2331 16th Ave., Ensley, Ala.

Louis R. Botsai is an electrical engineer residing at 831 South 22nd St., Birmingham. He was one of those who came over to the Alumni meeting at commencement time.

1916

Geo. A. Miller, Jr., is at Frankford, Philadelphia, Pa., where he is chief metallurgist of the Frankford Arsenal. He can be found at 1538 Oxford Pike, and he wants to know "where in blazes the Auburn men are in Philadelphia."

Lieut. Edward W. Smith graduated from the U. S. Military Academy on November 1, 1918, and is with the 36th U. S. Infantry at Camp Devens, Mass. He was renewing old associations at Auburn during commencement.

J. G. Peterson is a ranch manager in Baldwin County, Post Office Rabun, Ala.

Harry G. Farris is at Attalla, Ala. He is an oil operator, confining his work to the Louisiana and Texas oil fields.

M. V. Zimmerman is with the T. C. I. & R. R. Co., at Fairfield, Ala.

W. B. Cranford is at Tuskegee where

he is located with the State Highway Department.

G. E. Taylor is a veterinarian at Pinson, Ala. His home address is 1711 2nd Ave., Birmingham.

Leonard L. Watkins, ex-'16, is southern representative in Atlanta, of the Johnson Sales Co., of Pittsburg. His office is in the Flatiron Bldg. Although a 1916 graduate of the University of Texas, he is still intensely interested in Auburn and Auburn men.

1917

Gordon Worley is a vocational agricultural teacher in the High School at Auburn.

H. M. Boyd is at the Kentucky University where he is instructor in chemistry. He is living at 139 E. Maxwell St., Lexington, Ky.

D. A. Helmich is a draftsman in the office of the Jefferson County Highway Engineer, Room 417, Jefferson County Bank Bldg., Birmingham. He is living at 1300 N. 24th St.

1918

W. B. West is a post graduate student in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Cambridge. He had the misfortune to lose his left leg while in the Navy, due to pneumonia. He is doing considerable writing along engineering lines.

Gurley E. Burgin after serving a short time with the U. S. Infantry in 1918, worked as draftsman with a graphite Company in Clay County; later as a draftsman in the office of Miller and Martin, architects. He is now with Sloss-Sheffield, with headquarters in the American Trust Bldg., Birmingham.

W. E. Trawley, Jr., is employed with the T. C. I. & R. R. Co. He is living at 1408 N. 30th St., Birmingham.

Miss Laura Watt of Auburn taught last session at LaFayette.

S. W. Hill is at West Raleigh, N. C., employed with the Division of Agronomy at the Experiment Station.

R. H. Herron is a practicing veterinarian at Bainbridge, Ga.

1920.

T. H. Bonner, Captain of Auburn's champion football team the past year has been engaged to take charge of athletics for the coming season by the Georgia Military College.

Marriages

Elza B. Holloway, ex-'16, to Frances Elizabeth Cory at Birmingham on May 26th 1920.

Cleburn A. Basore, '14, to Annie Elizabeth Terrell at Auburn on June 12th 1920.

William L. Holmes, '19, to Myrtle Roberts of Clanton on April 10, 1920 At home after May 13th at Dothan, Ala.

A. N. Duncan, 1st. Lieut. Aviation Park Field, Memphis to Alma Saddler of Sheffield February 15, 1920.

William Oliver Jelks, '09, to Mary Peacock, at Hawkinsville, Ga., April 28, 1920.

Glover A. Johnson, '17 to Willie Alma Jordan, on Thursday, June 24, 1920 at Center, Ala

John Herman Trapp, Ex., '20 to Leta Whatley, Ex., '21, on Wednesday, June 30, 1920, at Opelika, Ala.

Deaths

Lawrence Cary Amos, '15, of Brooklyn, Ala., on June 22nd, 1920 by drowning.

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Real Estate	7,839.25

CASH

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Due from Banks	127,761.02
U. S. Treasurer	5,000.00
Cash in Vault	57,760.69
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